

**AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION:**

Change the title to “SPACER FOR OPTICAL FIBER CABLE AND OPTICAL FIBER CABLE USING THE SPACER”.

Please amend the indicated paragraphs of the specification in accordance with the amendments indicated below.

Page 18: 1<sup>st</sup> full paragraph, amend as indicated below:

**First Example**

A single steel wire of 2.0 mm $\phi$  outer diameter was introduced as the tensile member 11 into a crosshead die, and an ethylene-ethyl acrylate copolymer resin (GA 006; made by NIPPON UNICAR Co. LTD ) and an LLDPE resin (NUCG 5350; made by NIPPON UNICAR Co. LTD) were co-extrusion coated at 200°C as inner preliminary coating layer 12a and outer preliminary coating layer 12b, respectively, onto the outer periphery of the above-mentioned tensile member 11 to obtain a coated tensile wire 12, with which the outer diameter of the ethylene-ethyl acrylate polymer layer was 2.8mm $\phi$  and the outer diameter of the LLDPE resin coating at the outer side was 6.3mm $\phi$ .

Page 20: 1<sup>st</sup> full paragraph, amend as indicated below: